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In re Patent Application of:)
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2823
Serial No. 09/436,984)
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF)

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE
TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action mailed March 14, 2003,
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